

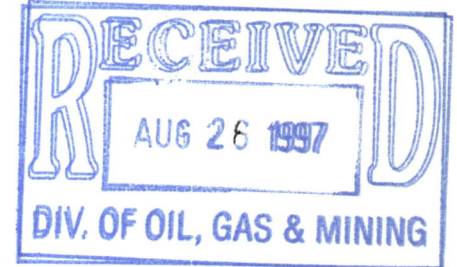


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August 25, 1997

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RE: G-P Gypsum Corporation  
San Rafael Quarry Plan Amendment  
UTU-696850  
M/015/50

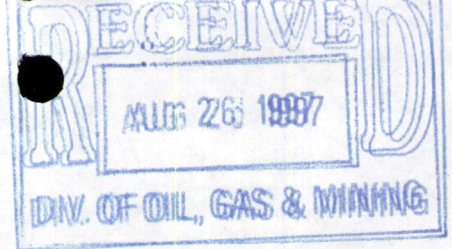
Dear Mr. Gallegos:

The purpose of this letter is to provide additional information concerning the proposed mining plan amendment as requested in your August 7, 1997 letter to me. In that letter, you requested a revised surface facilities map (R647-4-105.2) and more information regarding impacts to existing surface drainage characteristics (R647-4-107.2, 109.1, 111.2 and 111.3).

A revised surface facilities map is attached to this letter. The map shows the total disturbed area, the equipment storage area, roads, areas reclaimed, current mining areas and future mining areas. Only 1.15 acres of area has been released and is not shown on the map since the area consists of land that was disturbed before the current quarry was started, used as an equipment storage area, and then abandoned.

Regarding impacts to existing drainages through the proposed new quarry areas (Area A and Area B), the only significant drainage is the wash running through the middle of Area B. Contrary to the information supplied in my August 4, 1997 letter to you, this wash is 20-30 feet deep on the northwest side of Area B but becomes much shallower less than a quarter mile upstream to the southeast. For the purposes of the initial exploration and quarrying of Area B, the drainage can be preserved since the current quarry activity is limited to extracting only the high purity, white gypsum needed for the Sigurd plant industrial plaster product. The plant demand for this gypsum is only 800 tons/month. This type of gypsum is not expected to be found in single, large deposits in this area so it will likely be necessary to extract it from various locations within Area B. The drainage wash will be preserved until such time it is determined that the wash must be mined through. In that case, the current plan will be amended to provide for the concerns outlined in your August 7, 1997 letter.

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If you have any questions, or require additional information, I can be reached at 702-643-8100.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Russell Harms'.

Russell Harms

Attachment

cc: D. Nyffeler - BLM Moab